

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 0900 hours
At Connecticut Hospital Association
Approved October 23, 2019

Members Attendees: G. Allard, L. Bolton, W. Champion, M. Daniels, S. Johnson, K. McClaine, N. Mayeda-Brescia, J. Paretzky, F. Potter, J. Reynolds, A. Romano, F. Rosa, I. Smith, D. Tompkins.

OEMS Staff: R. Coler, R. Kamin, J. Reynolds, J. Speck, S. Durante, A. Pugliese, J. Demers

EMSC: V. Barnes

Regional Presidents: M. Blake, M. Wilson, W. Fitzmaurice, Mike Zacchera

Committee Chairs: W. Champion, D. Dole, R. Kamin, W. Fitzmaurice, K. McClaine, B. Morris, J. Paretzky, M. Zacchera.

Guests: L. Brockett, S. Conley, D. Smith, M. Rollins, D. Caranci

Board Chair: G. Allard presiding

Please submit request for written reports to Yolanda Williams at OEMS. Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov

Meeting opened at 0912 hours.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Aug. 28, 2019 Minutes		Minor editorial changes.	Motion to accept the minutes of Aug. 28, 2019 with minor editorial changes made by F. Potter and 2 nd by M. Wilson. Motion passed with one abstention from M. Daniels.
Public Comment	Derrick Caranci	Discussion around OEMS Communication 19-09 regarding Mental Health First Aid Certification that goes into effect on January 1, 2020. Concern around modules need for training, instruction, cost, limited instructors. Suggestion that CEMSAB provide guidance on training modules and what is needed to add/edit this legislative law.	No action.
Presentation	Joel Demers. OEMS	Discussion Regarding National Registry, new legislative laws as they pertain to EMR/EMT/AEMT and paramedic training. New 2-year certification cycle, changes in application form, National Registry age restrictions, examiner updates, EMSI exams, Mark King initiative (available 1 st or 2 nd quarter of 2020).	No action.
Chair's report		No report.	
OEMS – Ralf Coler	Written report submitted for September 2019	Review of written report with discussion. Includes OEMS Communication Statements 19-08 and 19-09, Staffing, EMS/Trauma Data, SWORD, CEMSAB protocols, Legislative Public Act 19-118, Local EMS Planning, MCI	See OEMS Website for documents discussed under 'Communications & Reference Documents'.

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		<p>Trailers, application for federal grant and OEMS Technology. Question and discussion around frequency of Everbridge messages.</p> <p>Lengthy discussion around Communication Statement 19-09 and Public Act 19-191.</p>	<p>Motion for the Chair to write a letter to the DPH Commissioner regarding Public Act 19-191 'Mental Health First Aid Certification' reflecting comments made today by Board members was made by F. Potter, 2nd M. Blake. Motion passed unanimously.</p>
	EMSC – Vickie Barnes	<p>Discussion regarding remote educational training sessions (six months) regarding Project Echo. Beginning 2020 a new EMSC survey will be initiated.</p> <p>Question around birthing mannequin; still missing three, two in need a repair – no funding for repair or new mannequins, mannequins they have are used for nonprofit programs only.</p>	
Committee reports	CEMSMAC – Dr. McClaine Sept 2019 Meeting Minutes submitted	<p>Discussion regarding EMS to ED handoff tool “MIST” form being taken to CHA to show to ED directors as an example of best practices. Specialty Care Transport (SCT) concerns discussed regarding the future of the program. EMD position paper.</p>	<p>See written report.</p> <p>A plan for SCT will be prepared for the October Board meeting.</p> <p>For Board discussion at October meeting.</p>
	Clinical Coordinators	No report.	
	Communications CMED and SIEC – B. Morris May minutes submitted	Hand off tool and CMED manual are on the committee agenda.	

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	CORP – W. Fitzmaurice	CORP is meeting today.	
	Education/Training – Zacchera	Discussion around current projects; working with MIH regarding what education should look like for MIH provider; hand washing/hygiene educational component; update question bank for new protocols Refusal training; process being initiated.	
	Emergency Preparedness Minutes of June 4, 2019 submitted	Judi Reynolds spoke for Bill Ackley regarding Forward Movement of Patients (FMOP).	
	Legislative, meeting minutes submitted, draft survey and Legislative Research documents submitted.	Question regarding guidelines for resubmitting proposals to the legislature for consideration.	Next meeting is October 17, 2019.
	MIH, MIH Education subcommittee minutes submitted 9/5/19.	Conference call scheduled for 10 am 9/26.	
	Nominating	Discussion regarding timing and elections. Fred Rosa and Rich Kamin volunteered to serve on the committee.	
	Paramedic – Doug Dole	No report.	

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	Public Information and Education		No update.
	Regionalization		No update
	Trauma		No update
	Volunteer, J. Paretzky Minutes submitted.	Compliments to OEMS Joel Demers for excellent work.	Next meeting November 14, 2019 in Vernon
Action Item	By-Laws	No discussion.	Motion to accept EMS Advisory Board revised By-Laws dated 5.8.19 was made by M. Daniels and 2 nd by W. Campion Motion passed with abstentions; M. Daniels and M. Blake.
Meeting adjourned	11:14 a.m.		Motion to adjourn by F. Rosa and passed unanimously.
Next Meeting	0900 hours	Oct 23, 2019 at CT Dept. of Veterans Affairs, 287 West Street, rocky Hill, CT	

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